FISCAL NOTE

HB 2186 - SB 2277

February 7, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the University of Tennessee Board of Trust and the Tennessee Board of Regents to develop a registration system, common to all state higher education institutions, to ensure that all students who are not U.S. citizens, have registered with the local law enforcement agency serving the jurisdiction in which the institution attended by such student is located. The institution must furnish the non-citizen student with the appropriate form that is to be presented to the local law enforcement agency on a monthly basis. The local law enforcement agency would note on the form that the student has appeared and the student would be required to present the form to the appropriate institutional official. Upon presentation of the form, the institution official would note that the student has complied with the registration requirements for that month. Failure to comply with this requirement would render that student ineligible to attend the institution.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$190,000 Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- An increase in expenditures to each higher education institution for implementation and monitoring of the registration of each noncitizen student each month. Currently, there are 3636 non-citizen students in public higher education institutions in Tennessee. The cost of each transaction is based on similar costs for student transactions (such as dropping/adding courses, payment of fees, etc.). Each transaction is estimated to cost a minimum of \$5.00, which includes computing time and programming, staff time, and record keeping costs.
- A not significant increase in local government expenditures to local law enforcement agencies to assist in the monitoring of such students.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director